

PTO Superintendent Meeting Minutes 1/12/2009

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| Date: | January 12, 2009 | Next Meeting Date: | March 6, 2009 |
| Time: | 10:30am | Time: | 10:30am |
| Location: | District Office | Location: | District Office |
| Attendance: | Kirsten Bell – President | | |
| | Laurie Fernandez – VP PLE | | |
| | Brad Schlaikowski - Treasurer | | |
| | Debra Tuttle – VP ASA | | |
| | Cheri Schaefer – Recording Secretary | | |
| | Joann Sternke - Superintendent | | |

- Welcome Cheri Schaefer as PTO recording secretary
- **PTO General Discussion led by Kirsten Bell**
 - Breakfast with Santa was a success
 - 655 people attended, around 75 volunteers with a profit of \$726.00
 - Fall Fundraiser Kathryn Beich/Great American
 - Profit of about \$38,000 which is down from last year
 - Recap of issues and outcome
 - additional \$4000 allowance from GA
 - letter of apology and magazine vouchers
 - playground equipment
 - In the beginning stages of possibly looking for a new vendor
 - New name selected for Festival of Learning
 - PTO Educational Partnership submitted by Pam Ziolkowski
 - New Fundraiser
 - Selling Country Springs Water Park Tickets at discounted price
 - Flyers to go out at the end of month
 - Evaluate how many parents participate in the Pick-n-Save We Care program and have the applications available at Registration Fair next fall.
 - Sock Hop Friday April 3, 2009 at 5:30-9:00pm
 - Laura Folk and Coleen Vanderkolk are our new chairs.
 - Planning and prep work is underway.
 - Board Positions
 - Changed length of term to 2 years for all positions except president will remain 3 years.
 - Open for next year are PLE VP and Corresponding Secretary

- PTO Donation
 - Changing table in one of the bathrooms has been approved.
- Budget - Brad
 - New Budget System in effect January 2009.
 - Teacher grants more conservative this year \$65.00 instead of \$75.00.

- Superintendent Joanne Sternke Discussion Points:
 - Strategic Planning is coming up and Joanne welcomes our participation. Confirmed date to come soon.

 - Open Enrollment Window
 - February 2 through February 20
 - Opening fewer seats this year for non-district residents as resident enrollment is on the rise. Pewaukee is rising by approximately 1% while 2/3 of Wisconsin's schools are declining in enrollment. This should not affect current enrollees as the goal is to keep siblings in the same district.

 - Curriculum/Assessment Update
 - Foreign Lang and Art being revised this year for implementation
 - Preliminary work being done on Social Studies, Tech Ed, and Talented and Gifted programs to make sure we're meeting needs.
 - Current teacher professional development on technology use (Microsoft office applications, smart boards, etc)

 - Continuous Improvement Planning tied to Strategic Plan
 - Non fiction writing
 - Higher level questioning in assessments. Now more about how we apply knowledge than how we find knowledge since that information is so readily accessible
 - Identification of core power standards in each subject area. Something that will always be remembered and used throughout life.
 - Classroom walk throughs by administrators. Five minutes long.

 - Technology
 - Apple technology is very exciting. The board is considering the use of i-touch in the future.
 - Smart Board Training
 - \$500,00 budget

- Budget and Staffing
 - Budget recommendations presented to Board of Education on April
 - Expecting lower level of open enrollment availability
 - 4K has generated slightly more enrollment than anticipated
 - Cost savings programs

- Health Insurance coop for all district employees except teachers being investigated.

- Wisconsin Forward Award
 - submission on State Level January 16, 2009
 - apply for an opportunity for an external agency to review our processes

- Insurance Meeting with PTO/Booster Club.
 - PTO will investigate E and O coverage